ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME DIVISION OF COMMERCIAL FISHERIES

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KODIAK COMMERCIAL SALMON FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT # 18 For Emergency Order #4-FS-K-18-13

There will be a <u>24-hour</u> commercial salmon fishing period, from <u>noon</u> Saturday, July 13 to noon Sunday, July 14 in the Inner Ayakulik Section of the Southwest Kodiak District. Waters will be open to the stream terminus of the Ayakulik River (stream #256-201).

There will be an <u>81-hour</u> commercial salmon fishing period, from <u>noon</u> Saturday, July 13 to 9:00 p.m. Tuesday, July 16 in the Outer Ayakulik and Halibut Bay sections of the Southwest Kodiak District.

As Previously Announced:

The following sections of the **Alitak District** will **close** at the following dates and times:

- The Olga Bay Section at 9:00 a.m. Sunday, July 14;
- The Moser Bay Section at 3:00 p.m. Sunday, July 14;
- The Alitak Bay Section at 9:00 p.m. Sunday, July 14;
- The Cape Alitak Section at 9:00 a.m. Monday, July 15; and
- The Humpy-Deadman Section at 9:00 p.m. Tuesday, July 16.

There will be a <u>57-hour</u> commercial salmon fishing period from **noon Saturday**, **July 13 to 9:00 p.m. Monday July 15** in the **Mainland District** (except the Wide Bay and Cape Igvak sections will remain closed).

There will be an <u>81-hour</u> commercial salmon fishing period from **noon Saturday July, 13 to 9:00 p.m. Tuesday July 16** in the following areas:

- The **Northwest Kodiak District**, (except the Kizhuyak Bay Section will remain closed);
- The **Afognak District**, (except the Izhut, Outer Kitoi, and Inner Kitoi Bay sections remain closed and the Duck Bay Section is open until further notice);
- The **Eastside Kodiak District** (except the Inner Ugak Bay Section which is already open); and,
- The Northeast Kodiak District.

The Inner and Outer Karluk sections of the Southwest Kodiak District will <u>close</u> to commercial salmon fishing at 9:00 p.m. Tuesday July 16.

Concerning the North Shelikof Strait Fishery:

Short notice, inperiod closures may occur for seine fisheries in the Seaward Zones of the North Shelikof Strait area, as designated in the North Shelikof Strait Sockeye Salmon Management Plan (5 AAC 18.363). Closure announcements may occur at 8:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 2:00 p.m., 5:00 p.m., or 8:30 p.m., on Single Side Band frequency 3.230 MHz and VHF channel 6.

The following areas will remain **open until further notice**:

- The Inner Ugak Bay Section of the Eastside Kodiak District;
- The **Duck Bay Section** of the **Afognak District**.

Closed Water Adjustments:

Closed waters are reduced until 9:00 p.m. Tuesday July 16 at at Karluk Lagoon's exit channel terminus at the ocean shoreline (stream #255-101).

Closed waters are **reduced until further notice** in the following locations:

- In Saltery Cove, for subsistence fishing, at Saltery Creek (stream# 259-415), at the exit channel terminus at the ocean shoreline.
- At Saltery Creek (stream # 259-415) Hearst Creek, (stream # 259-414) and Rough Creek (stream # 259-416) in Saltery Cove to the stream terminus of each stream, for commercial salmon fishing.
- In Chiniak Bay, for subsistence fishing, at the Buskin River (stream# 259-211) at the exit channel terminus at the ocean shoreline.

In that portion of the Northwest Kodiak and Southwest Kodiak districts south of the latitude of Cape Kuliuk, <u>until further notice</u>, Chinook (king) salmon 28 inches or greater in length may not be retained by purse seine gear in the commercial fishery and must be returned to the water unharmed.

To ensure Chinook (king) salmon brood stock collection at Monashka Creek, that portion of the Monashka/Mill Bay Section of the Northeast Kodiak District bounded by the latitude of Spruce Cape and the latitude of Termination Point until <u>August 1, 2013</u> king salmon may not be retained in the subsistence fishery and must be returned to the water unharmed.

<u>Cost recovery fisheries</u> began in the Telrod Cove Special Harvest Area (SHA) on June 23, 2013; and the Telrod Cove SHA will remain <u>closed</u> to common property fishing. Fishery

opportunities in Telrod Cove will be dependent on the ability to meet KRAA cost recovery needs.

Other closed waters are as shown on the Kodiak Area Salmon Statistical Chart and detailed in the Commercial Salmon Fishing Regulations (5AAC 18.350).

Statistical Charts, Harvest Strategies, and Commercial Salmon Fishing Regulations are available at the Kodiak Fish and Game office. Recent salmon fishery information may be obtained by calling the Department's 24-hour record-a-phone at 486-4559.